

Claim Amendments

Please amend claims 1-3, 5-10 and 12-23 as follows:

1. (currently amended) A method ~~for use by a communication device~~, comprising:
 - obtaining information about at least two currently active cellular network systems to each of which [[the]] a communication device has one or more active connections for respective connected applications simultaneously hosted by the communication device, wherein the information includes at least [[the]] a number and type of active connections currently in use; and
 - deciding whether to allow establishing a new active connection to one of the currently active cellular network systems on behalf of another application hosted by the communication device based on factors including the information about currently active cellular network systems, wherein an active connection comprises at least one of a speech call, a circuit-switched data call and a packet-data connection.
2. (currently amended) The method [[of]] according to claim 1, wherein the information about currently active cellular network systems includes information about combinations of different kinds of active connections allowed by each currently active cellular network system.
3. (currently amended) The method [[of]] according to claim 1, wherein the factors also include information about active connections currently in use or wherein the information about currently active cellular network systems includes information about active connections currently in use.
4. (canceled)
5. (currently amended) The method [[of]] according to claim 1, further comprising:
 - the application making a request of the communication device to establish the network connection and including in the request an identifier for the application;
 - wherein the information about active connections currently in use includes identifiers for applications using the active connections currently in use, and further wherein the factors also

include the identifier for the application and the identifiers for applications using the active connections currently in use.

6. (currently amended) The method ~~[[of]]~~ according to claim 1, wherein the factors also include the maximum amount of concurrent packet switched data allowed by the active connections currently in use.

7. (currently amended) The method ~~[[of]]~~ according to claim 1, wherein the active cellular network systems include at least a GSM network, a WCDMA network, or a CDMA2000 network.

8. (currently amended) An apparatus ~~for inclusion in a mobile terminal~~, comprising:

a resource manager, responsive to a signal from an application hosted by ~~[[the]]~~ a mobile terminal and configured to establish ~~[[a]]~~ an active connection to a cellular network system, and configured to provide a request to allow establishing the active connection, wherein the active connection comprises at least one of a speech call, a circuit-switched data call and a packet-data connection; and

a network resource control, responsive to the request to allow establishing the active connection, and also responsive to information about at least two currently active cellular network systems to each of which the mobile terminal has one or more active connections for respective connected applications simultaneously hosted by the apparatus, to determine whether to allow establishing the active connection based on factors including the information about the at least two currently active cellular network systems wherein the information about active connections currently in use includes at least ~~[[the]]~~ a number and type of active connections currently in use.

9. (currently amended) The apparatus ~~[[of]]~~ according to claim 8, wherein the information about currently active cellular network systems includes information about combinations of different kinds of active connections allowed by each currently active cellular network system.

10. (currently amended) The apparatus ~~[[of]]~~ according to claim 8, wherein the factors also

include information about active connections currently in use or wherein the information about currently active cellular network systems includes information about active connections currently in use.

11. (canceled)

12. (currently amended) The apparatus [[of]] according to claim 10, wherein the resource manager is configured to make the request for permission to establish the active connection, wherein the request includes an identifier corresponding to the application requesting the active connection;

and wherein the information about active connections currently in use includes identifiers for applications using the active connections currently in use, and further wherein the factors also include the identifier for the application and the identifiers for applications using the active connections currently in use.

13. (currently amended) The apparatus [[of]] according to claim 8, wherein the factors also include the maximum amount of concurrent packet switched data allowed by the active connections currently in use.

14. (currently amended) The apparatus [[of]] according to claim 8, wherein the active cellular network systems include at least a GSM network, a WCDMA network, or a CDMA2000 network.

15. (currently amended) The apparatus [[of]] according to claim 8, further comprising a cellular network information server, responsive to a request to provide the information about currently active cellular network systems, for providing such information.

16. (currently amended) An apparatus comprising:

at least one processor, and

at least one non-transitory computer readable storage structure including computer program code,

the at least one storage structure and the computer program code configured to, with the at least one processor, cause the apparatus at least to perform

obtaining information about at least two currently active cellular network systems to each of which the apparatus has one or more active connections for respective connected applications simultaneously hosted by the apparatus, wherein the information includes at least ~~[[the]]~~ a number and type of connections currently in use, wherein an active connection comprises at least one of a speech call, a circuit-switched data call and a packet-data connection; and

deciding whether to allow establishing a new active connection to one of the currently active cellular network systems on behalf of another application hosted by the apparatus based on factors including the information about currently active cellular network systems.

17. (currently amended) A computer program product comprising: a non-transitory computer readable storage structure embodying computer program code thereon for execution by a computer processor in a telecommunication terminal, wherein said computer program code includes instructions for performing the method ~~[[of]]~~ according to claim 1.

18. (currently amended) A computer program product comprising: a non-transitory computer readable storage structure embodying computer program code thereon for execution by a computer processor in a telecommunication terminal, wherein said computer program code includes instructions for performing the method ~~[[of]]~~ according to claim 7.

19. (currently amended) A system, comprising an operator network having at least one cellular system, and also comprising a mobile terminal including an apparatus ~~as in~~ according to claim 8.

20. (currently amended) A system, comprising an operator network having at least one cellular system, and also comprising a mobile terminal including an apparatus ~~as in~~ according to claim 12.

21. (currently amended) An apparatus ~~for inclusion in a mobile terminal~~, comprising:

means, responsive to a signal from an application hosted by ~~[[the]]~~ a mobile terminal to establish ~~[[a]]~~ an active connection to a cellular network system, for providing a request to allow

establishing the active packet-based connection, wherein the active connection comprises at least one of a speech call, a circuit-switched data call and a packet-data connection; and

means, responsive to the request to allow establishing the active connection, and also responsive to information about at least two currently active cellular network systems to each of which the mobile terminal has one or more active connections for respective connected applications simultaneously hosted by the apparatus, for determining whether to allow establishing the active connection based on factors including the information about the at least two currently active cellular network systems wherein the information about active connections currently in use includes at least ~~[[the]]~~ a number and type of active connections currently in use.

22. (currently amended) The apparatus ~~[[of]]~~ according to claim 21, wherein the factors also include information about the active connections currently in use or wherein the information about currently active cellular network systems includes information about the active connections currently in use, and wherein the means for providing the request to establish the active connection comprises:

means for making the request for permission to establish the active connection, wherein the request includes an identifier corresponding to the application requesting the active connection;

and wherein the information about the active connections currently in use includes identifiers for applications using the active connections currently in use, and further wherein the factors also include the identifier for the application and the identifiers for applications using the active connections currently in use.

23. (currently amended) A mobile terminal, comprising:

an apparatus ~~as in~~ according to claim 8; and

means for wirelessly communicating with the one or more currently active cellular communication systems.